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OLL received a call from the SASC yesterday (1/7) inviting the DCI to appear and give his Worldwide briefing on Wednesday, 23 January!!

Everyone, including the Director, had anticipated that these briefings (as in past years with a new Congress, etc) would come in late Feb and even March.

The other Committees may, in fact, come later, but we have one very early indeed (the reason given is that Goldwater wants his (new) Committee to hear from the DCI before Weinberger gives his stmt.

Now to the details:

-- The DCI has said he will appear whenever one of the committees so requests (i.e. no asking for delays and no worry about whether to brief our own committees first).

-- The NIOs will be preparing these substantive briefings; Hal Ford is the person in charge. Any questions re what is/has been said will be fielded by him (the NIC production officer, will be the coordinator for graphics).

-- Hal and I met with the DCI yesterday to get his guidance and reaction to a draft outline that Hal had prepared. He (DCI) decided to tailor his briefings to the different committees this year (as opposed to the rather general, sweeping one for all of years past): for the military committees he wants the focus on Sov wpns (strat & conv), their readiness and bases, the threat and attitude and the 3rd world kind of things where security assistance/trng might be appropriate; for the other (but not oversight) committees, less on wpns/space/CWBW, more on regional issues, broad brush on Sov threat, same on secy assistance, and some on nuc proliferation; for the oversight committees he wants a more truly worldwide sweep with a focus on our capabilities.

Because the first hearing will be upon us in 2 weeks, the NIOs will be crashing. As in the past, many -- in engaged by them; this is to give you a heads up. The first iteration of the WW Briefing will be given to the DCI next Tuesday.

If, as, and when the Oversight Committee briefings are scheduled, to the extent that capabilities (vice substance) will be treated, specific tasking will be levied of the different Directorates (this will, in all likelihood, be coordinated by the EXDIR).

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